REPITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME Docket No.: VAL1599P0190US Serial No.: 09/775,949 Filing Date: February 2, 2001 **Group Art Unit:** 3727 Examiner: Lien M. Ngo Olivier de Pous et al. Applicants: Invention: ATTACHMENT DEVICE TO ATTACH A PUMP OR VALVE ONTO A RECIPIENT **NECK**

Commissioner For Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

TECHNOLOGY CENTER RS700 Applicants hereby petition under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response to the Office Action of August 28, 2002 in the above-identified application for the period required to make the attached Response timely.

Extension Fee For Response Within:		First Month		Second Month		Third Month		Fourth Month	
_	e Entity: l Entity:	⊠	\$110.00 \$55.00	<u> </u>	\$400.00 \$200.00		\$920.00 \$460.00	_ _	\$1,440.00 \$720.00
8	A check in the amount of \$110.00 to cover the extension fee is enclosed. Charge \$ to Deposit Account No. 23-0785.								
×	The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required to this application under 37 C.F.R. §1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 23-0785. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.								
Respectfully submitted.									

WOOD, PHILLIPS, KATZ, CLARK & MORTIMER

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CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

Paul M. Odell, Reg. No. 28,332

I hereby certify that this document and fee (if applicable) is being deposited with sufficient postage as First Class Mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231 on

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